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## **Advisory Announcement**

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# Vessel Size Limit Removed for Remainder of 2022 Chignik Area State-Waters Pacific Cod Season

#### **Emergency Order 4-GF-19-22**

The Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery management plan allows unharvested Pacific cod to be taken by a vessel of any size after October 30. Through November 1, 2022, approximately 2.5 million pounds of state-waters Pacific cod has been harvested by vessels using pot gear and no state-waters Pacific cod harvest has occurred with jig gear. Approximately 1.3 million pounds of Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod guideline harvest level (GHL) remains available for harvest.

Effective 12:01 a.m. November 3, 2022, a vessel of any size may be used to take Pacific cod in the Chignik Area. As previously announced, pot or jig gear may be used to harvest the remaining Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod GHL and gear limits will not be in effect. The state-waters season will remain open until the GHL is achieved or until the fishery closes on December 31, 2022.

Fishermen are reminded the Chignik Area is a superexclusive registration area for state-waters Pacific cod.

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